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Alonzo Peña
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Phoenix, Arizona 85004

Re: Enactment of Legal Arizona Workers Act

Dear Mr. Peña:

Today I have signed into law House Bill 2779, the Legal Arizona Workers Act. With the enactment of this legislation, Arizona has taken the toughest action in the country against those who knowingly or intentionally employ an unauthorized alien. Pursuant to this new law, on or after January 1, 2008, employers in Arizona who knowingly or intentionally employ unauthorized aliens will be subject to a variety of business licensing sanctions, including suspension and, for a second offense, revocation.

You should know that, among other things, the bill requires the Arizona Attorney General or the appropriate County Attorney to notify your office of unauthorized aliens found to be employed by an Arizona employer. Consistent with the spirit of cooperation between the State of Arizona and your office, I hope you will be in a position to respond promptly to such notifications.

Similarly, I am asking that once the bill becomes effective, your office notify the state Attorney General or appropriate County Attorney of credible evidence your office comes across of Arizona employers who may be knowingly or intentionally employing unauthorized aliens, so that appropriate action may be undertaken with respect to any such employer's licenses pursuant to this new law.

Thank you very much for your attention to this important matter and for your continued cooperation in our collective efforts to enforce the law.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janet Napolitano".

Janet Napolitano
Governor

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